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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

Information Disclosure Statement (1 pg.);

PTO Form 1449 (2 pgs.);

Copy of references cited; and

Return postcard.

Applicant believes that no fees are due with this submission; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21486-028. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate) in the above-identified application, copies of which are submitted herewith. The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case. Accordingly, no fee or certification is required. 37 C.F.R. §1.97. Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-502NATL.

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